



Media Advisory

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Thunder Over Louisville Safety Coalition to hold joint training exercise on Ohio River

Jeffersonville, IN – On Saturday, April 13, beginning at 1:00 p.m., the Coast Guard Auxiliary will host a joint training exercise with member agencies of the Thunder Over Louisville 2002 Safety Coalition. The Coast Guard Auxiliary last year combined its annual training exercise with the ten other agencies to prepare for Thunder Over Louisville 2001.

Similar to last year's exercise, the Coalition will implement a critical communications plan and conduct on-water practice drills such as rescuing persons from the water and boat fires.

Consisting of the Coast Guard; Indiana Department of Natural Resources; Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources; Indiana State Police; Louisville Police & Fire Departments; Jefferson County Police & EMS; Jefferson County Sheriffs; and Harrods Creek and Utica Fire departments, the Thunder Over Louisville Safety Coalition will work side-by-side to help ensure that Thunder 2002 is as safe and enjoyable as last year.

The Coast Guard Auxiliary Station at 3732 Utica Pike in Jeffersonville, IN will be the base for the training operation. Media boat rides can be arranged by contacting Lieutenant Steven Garcia at (502) 582-5194 ext. 38 no later than 4:00 p.m. on April 12, 2002.

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